

**UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C.**

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In the Matter of )  
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CERTAIN SEMICONDUCTOR )  
CHIPS WITH MINIMIZED )  
CHIP PACKAGE SIZE AND )  
PRODUCTS CONTAINING SAME )  
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Investigation No. 337-TA-432

**NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION TO EXTEND BY TWO  
DAYS THE DEADLINE FOR DETERMINING WHETHER TO REVIEW A  
FINAL INITIAL DETERMINATION**

**AGENCY:** U.S. International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined to extend by two days, *i.e.*, until November 15, 2001, the deadline for determining whether to review the final initial determination ( ID ) of the presiding administrative law judge ( ALJ ) in the above-captioned investigation.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Diehl, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone (202) 205-3095. Copies of the public version of the ALJ's ID and all other nonconfidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). The public record of this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS-ON-LINE) at <http://dockets.usitc.gov/eol/public>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 3, 2000, the Commission instituted this investigation of allegations of unfair acts in violation of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 in the importation and sale of certain semiconductor chips with minimized package size, and products containing same, by reason of infringement of at least claims 6 and 22 of U.S. Letters Patent 5,679,977 and claims 1, 3, and 11 of U.S. Letters Patent 5,852,326, both owned by Tessera. 65 *Fed. Reg.* 25758 (May 3, 2000). Named as respondents were Texas Instruments Incorporated ( TI ), Sharp Corporation, and Sharp Electronics Corporation (collectively Sharp ). On March 2, 2001, the Commission determined not to review an ID by the ALJ in which he granted Tessera's motion to withdraw all allegations as to TI, and to terminate the investigation as to TI.

On April 13, 2001, Sharp filed a motion with the ALJ to reopen the hearing record to include newly-discovered evidence. Sharp subsequently filed several supplements to its motion. Tessera and the Commission investigative attorney ( IA ) filed responses, and Sharp filed a reply. On June 1, the ALJ issued Order No. 33, denying Sharp s motion to reopen.

On September 25, 2001, the ALJ issued his final ID, finding violation of section 337 by Sharp. On October 9, Sharp appealed Order No. 33 and petitioned for review of the ID. The IA did not petition for review. On October 16, 2001, complainant and the IA filed responses opposing Sharp s petition for review and its appeal of Order No. 33.

The 45-day period provided for in Commission rule 210.43 for deciding whether to review final IDs expires on Tuesday, November 13, 2001. Due to the press of Commission business, the Commission determined to extend the deadline for determining whether to review the ALJ s final ID in this investigation by two days, *i.e.*, until Thursday, November 15, 2001.

This action is taken under the authority of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337, and Commission rule 210.43(d), 19 C.F.R. § 210.43 (d).

By order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke  
Secretary

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